Manipur Government's demand for funds for holding National Games

310. SHRI W. ANGOU SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Manipur has demanded an additional special fund for infrastructure development of the 5th National Games in Manipur;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there is a proposal for deputing a team to the State of Manipur; and

(d) if so, when?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPTT. OF YOUTH AFFAIRS & SPORTS IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DHANUSHKODI ATHITHAN R.): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government of Manipur have indicated to the Planning Commission a requirement of Rs. 5814.02 lakhs for 1996-97 and 1997-98 for completing the construction of various kinds of sports infrastructure like main stadium, synthetic hockey field, cycle velodrome, indoor stadium, swimming pool and a 100-bedded hostel besides other miscellaneous/allied works essential for hosting the National Games.

(c) and (d) A Central team constituted by Planning Commission visited Imphal from 24th to 29th September, 1996 to assess the requirement of funds of Government of Manipur.

Privatisation of dairy sector

311. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any proposal to privatise the dairy sector presently under Government control;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government have examined the implications of privatisation; and

(d) if so, the advantages to the consumers and Government in privatising the dairy sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL HUSBANDRY AND DAIRYING (SHRI RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Development of aquaculture

312. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total extent of land under aquaculture all over the country;

(b) the State-wise extent of acreage under aquaculture;

(c) the estimated production of fish from aquaculture in 1995-96;

(d) whether there has been a declining trend in fish production from aquaculture farms; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA): (a) and (b) An area of about 12.90 lakh hectare is under aquaculture both fresh and brackishwater in the country at present. State-wise details are given in the enclosed statement. (*see* below)

(c) Out of the estimated 22.42 lakh tonnes of inland fish production, contribution of aquaculture both fresh and brackishwater was about 16.05 lakh tonnes in 1995-96.

(d) There has been no declining trend in fresh production from aquaculture. In